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COMMISSION ISSUES ORDER DENYING JUDGE HALL'S REQUEST FOR DISMISSAL, AND FILES PETITION IN CALIFORNIA SUPREME COURT SEEKING ORDER RELIEVING SPECIAL MASTERS OF THEIR ASSIGNMENT AND OTHER RELIEF

The Commission on Judicial Performance yesterday issued its "Order Denying Request for Rescission of Order of November 23, 2005 and for Dismissal of Proceedings" in the Matter Concerning Judge Diana R. Hall, Inquiry No. 175. A copy of the order is attached.

Today, the Commission filed a petition in the California Supreme Court requesting the Court to issue an Order relieving the special masters of their assignment in the *Hall Inquiry* and directing the appointment of new special masters. Both the Commission's Order and the Petition may be viewed on the Commission's Web site at <a href="https://www.cjp.ca.gov">www.cjp.ca.gov</a> (under "Press Releases").

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The Commission is composed of three judges, two lawyers, and six public members. The Chairperson is Marshall B. Grossman, Esq., of Los Angeles, California.

For further information about the Commission on Judicial Performance, see the Commission's Web site.

## STATE OF CALIFORNIA BEFORE THE COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL PERFORMANCE

Inquiry Concerning Judge Diana R. Hall

No. 175

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ORDER DENYING REQUEST FOR RESCISSION OF ORDER OF NOVEMBER 23, 2005 AND FOR DISMISSAL OF PROCEEDINGS

At its meeting this date, the commission duly considered "Respondent, Diana R. Hall's Request for Rescission of the Order of November 23, 2005 Requesting Appointment of New Masters to Proceed De Novo in This Matter, and Request for Dismissal of the Proceedings in the Interest of Justice," filed herein on November 30, 2005. The request is hereby denied in its entirety.

Dated: December 14, 2005

Marshall B. Grossman Chairperson